



Community Conversations

Additional Information:

Prior City Budget Cuts

How Has the City Reduced Spending?

Over the last five years, the City has reduced operating expenses in order to address reduced revenues. In spite of these reductions, total operating expenses have increased. The increases are largely attributable to three factors: new City services (recreational services and additional sworn police officers), new City facilities (Community and Cultural Center, Aquatics Center, and Police station) and rising employee benefit expenses.

Below is a summary of budget cuts which have already been made.

- Eliminated 10.75 positions
- Park maintenance reduced, with turf eliminated on park perimeters
- Reduced subsidy for summer recreation program
- Eliminated canine officer program
- Reduced hours at the Community and Cultural Center
- Reduced civilian staffing at the Police Department
- Eliminated after-school recreation program
- Reduced and eliminated special studies
- Combined the City newsletter and recreation guide, and reduced publication frequency

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- Eliminated City funding for community events
- Eliminated City volunteer services program
- Reduced expenditures for employee training, conferences, and events
- Reduced equipment purchase and replacement